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Dear Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are in response to the Examiner's Office Action mailed July 3, 2002.

<u>AMENDMENTS</u>

IN THE BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS

Please delete lines 12-16 on page 3 and substitute the following:

Figure 1 is a side elevation view of a vinyl siding panel having significantly curved rows.

Figure 2 is a side elevation view of one embodiment of a vinyl siding panel of the present invention.

Figure 3 is a side elevation view of one embodiment of a calibrator of the present invention.

Figure 4 is a side elevation view of one embodiment of a vinyl siding panel of the present invention that includes a reinforcement panel.

IN THE DESCRIPTION

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 20, as follows:

If desired, a reinforcement panel may be secured to, or positioned behind, the inner surface of the vinyl siding panel 20. For example, a foam reinforcement panel may be secured to the inner surface of the vinyl siding panel 20 by an adhesive. The reinforcement panel may tend to further straighten out rows 22, 24, 26 of the vinyl siding panel 20. Nevertheless, it should be recognized that the dimensions of the planar portion(s) discussed above are taken prior to the application of a reinforcement panel or any other straightening means. Figure 4 shows an exemplary embodiment in which a reinforcement panel 90 is secured to the vinyl siding.

